

Fiscal Year 2011/2012 Budget Highlights and Goals

Planning & Development

FY2011 Highlights

- Revised Stormwater Management Ordinance to reduce detention requirements for large property owners.
- Complete IDNR/FEMA Community Rating Program to reduce flood insurance premiums for McHenry County property owners.
- Applied for a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Grant in conjunction with County's EMA and MCCD MCCD for two neighborhoods along Nippersink Creek.
- Obtained grants to install a Rain Garden and Xeriscaping demonstration project in front of the County Administration Building.
- Nearing completion on the 3-D Geological Mapping project and Groundwater Flow Modeling project.
- Installed real-time equipment on the County's Observation Well and Stream Gauge Network and made live data available via the internet.
- Proceeding with Unified Development Ordinance by conducting key informant and public stakeholder meetings, reviewing existing ordinances, developing and presenting the Technical Review Report to the P&D Committee, ZBA, and County Board.
- Developing Countywide and Woodstock Green Infrastructure Plans with funding from the Grand Victoria Foundation.
- Developing a Wind Turbine Model Ordinance with a multi-stakeholder taskforce.
- Assumed responsibility for directly managing the Neighborhood Stabilization Program. To date, of the original fifteen homes, three properties have been sold, one is currently rented and three are under contract.
- Preparing an Analysis of Impediments Report with the Housing Commission.

FY2012 Goals

- Continue to support to the Planning & Development Committee, Historic Preservation Commission, Hearing Officer, Zoning Board of Appeals, Board of Building Code Appeals, Agriculture Conservation and Farmland Easement Protection Commission, CDBG Commission, Housing Commission, Stormwater Commission, Stormwater TAC, and Gravel Advisory Council.
- Complete Hazard Mitigation Grant Program floodprone structure buy-outs in two neighborhoods along Nippersink Creek.
- Complete the 3-D Geological Mapping project and Groundwater Flow Modeling project.
- Complete the Unified Development Ordinance for final adoption by the County Board.
- Complete Countywide and Woodstock Green Infrastructure Plans for adoption by the County Board and City Council, respectively.
- Develop subarea plan for areas along the Fox River and Wonder Lake with technical assistance from CMAP.
- Complete the Analysis of Impediments Report with the Housing Commission.
- Continue to improve the process of planning for, allocating, administering, and monitoring HUD grants to increase our efficiency and ensure we are meeting all Federal requirements.
- Continue to build the capacity of local governments, non-profit, and for-profit organizations to qualify for HUD grants and deliver services to target populations.
- Analyze the options and continue the Neighborhood Stabilization Program using the proceeds from the sale of the original homes.